

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Argenta et al.

Serial No.: 09/026,353

Filed: February 19, 1998

**For: WOUND TREATMENT EMPLOYING  
REDUCED PRESSURE**



Group Art Unit: 3736

Examiner: Lacyk, J.

## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patent  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This communication is a response to the office action dated March 15, 2000 in respect to this application.

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 42, 70, 81 and 82.

Please amend the following claims:

38. (Amended Twice) An appliance for administering a reduced pressure treatment to a wound comprising:

- (a) an impermeable cover adapted to cover and enclose the wound and to maintain reduced pressure at the site of the wound;
- (b) a seal operably connected with the cover for sealing said cover to tissue surrounding the wound;

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The undersigned hereby petitions for an extension of time of Three month(s) beyond the time period set in the last office communication. The proper fee under 37 CFR §1.17 is enclosed.

September 15, 2000

Date of Certificate

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## Computation of Additional Fee for Amendment

[ ] No Additional Fee is required.

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED			
FOR	CLAIMS AFTER AMDT.	CLAIMS PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS?			
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Amendment and Response;  
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